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DEMAND AND SUPPLY OF COAL
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Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Ministry of Power has asked the Ministry of Coal and Mines to allocate 150 Million ton captive coal reserve in three mining blocks in Damodar Valley Corporation;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the decision taken by the Ministry of Coal & Mines thereon;

(c) the extent of shortage of coal likely to be fulfilled there from;

(d) whether the Ministry has prepared an action plan for the years 2004-05 and 2005- 06 to meet the requirement of power projects; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI P.M. SAYEED)

(a) & (b) : Damodar Valley Corporation (DVC) was allotted coal blocks viz. Khagra- Jaydev, Bajrora (North) and Kasta (East) having mineable reserve of 150 million tones for captive mining at source of supply of coal for their Maithon Left Bank Thermal Power Project. However, Ministry of Power has requested Ministry of Coal for allowing captive mining of the said three coal blocks for end use at Mejia Thermal Power Station

(MTPS) Extn. Units 4, 5 and 6 and the Durgapur Steel Thermal Power Station.

(c) : While Coal requirement of Mejia Thermal Power Station Extn. is likely to be met from these coal blocks fully, Damodar Valley Corporation proposes to meet requirement of coal for Durgapur Steel Thermal Power Station to be sourced from Captive Coal Mine Blocks of Kasta (West) and Pachhwara (South) in Eastern Coalfields Ltd. command area with total mineable reserve of 185-190 million tones. Accordingly a proposal has been made by Damodar Valley Corporation to the Ministry of Coal.

(d) & (e) : Ministry of Power had prepared an action plan to bridge the gap of coal requirement of power projects for the year 2004-05 and 2005-06 by way of getting adequate production of domestic coal for Thermal Power Stations of Damodar Valley Corporation.